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## Twin Ridge Marina Open until May 1st

Philpott Lake, Virginia – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced today that the Twin Ridge marina and boat launch will cease operation on May 1, 2001. The Corps continues its efforts to attract a developer for a new marina, but it is unlikely that new facilities will be available to the public in the 2001 recreational season.

In January of 2000 a disastrous fire swept through the marina. Only the boat launch and a few storage areas remained functional. Since that time the Corps has overseen clean-up efforts and is now taking steps to ensure restoration of the area.

"A few people have shown interest in building the new marina, but our goal is to bring in the best marina possible," said Carl Smith, Operations Manager at Philpott Lake. "We will be accepting more applications and will carefully review each one. We want to ensure that the new marina will deliver quality services for boat owners."